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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2004, Applicant hereby responds to the Restriction Requirement by electing Group I, Claims 1-15, 24, 25, drawn to CYP3A inhibitors alone and in combination with a drug, and methods of use thereof, classified in various subclasses of class 514, depending on the compounds contemplated, with traverse. Also, under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect single disclosed species, applicant elects "swertiamarin". Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider to withdraw the Restriction Order.

It is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early action and allowance thereof is accordingly requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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